

# faculty notes—*Sharing information about Alumni Relations and Career Services*

Welcome to the spring semester.

As you know Melissa McBrayer left Bucknell last November to assume a position closer to her family. Since then, we have worked closely with the University administration to secure the following temporary solution until a permanent hire is made:

**Jenna Tesauro**, my AR/CDC colleague, will oversee the strategic direction of the **Academic Interests Affinity** program. She will work directly with you on the implementation of the annual fund button of each of your **B-Link** pages, the recruitment of students for next academic year, and the Academic Village concept at next fall's Homecoming.

**Lisa Verge**, my Human Resources colleague, will serve as a consultant for AR/CDC, working directly with your student liaisons to build out your **B-Link** pages, including the creation and dissemination of a newsletter. The international relations department launched its newsletter last December with huge success and it will serve as the model for everyone else's efforts.

The CDC and I will continue to support students with career counseling, employer recruiting activity, and bringing alumni career panels on campus to share alumni professional and work experiences with our students. The recent Arts, Russian Studies, and Geography career panels have shown how valuable these experiences can be to expose students to the world of work—plus, they are fun events that reconnect faculty and alumni. See information below on Industry/ Profession Network Days ( and the Economics—Mathematics Alumni Career Panel) in February and March. Thank you, **Marilyn Shull**

## KEY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- ⇒ BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY INTERNSHIP FAIR—JANUARY 27—SEE RELATED EVENTS BELOW
- ⇒ COMMUNICATIONS & ARTS CAREER FAIR IN NYC—FEBRUARY 3
- ⇒ BUCKNELL PUBLIC SERVICE NETWORK DAY—FEBRUARY 16
- ⇒ ECONOMICS AND MATHEMATICS ALUMNI CAREER PANEL—FEBRUARY 16
- ⇒ GRADUATE SCHOOL STRATEGIES—FEBRUARY 19
- ⇒ ENGINEERING CAREER NETWORKING EVENT—FEBRUARY 20
- ⇒ WASHINGTON DC CAREER FAIR—MARCH 3
- ⇒ BUCKNELL PUBLIC INTEREST PROGRAM (BPIP) INTERNSHIP FUND—APPLICATION DEADLINE MARCH 16
- ⇒ BUCKNELL CONSUMER PRODUCTS NETWORK DAY—MARCH 18

### 2009 BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY INTERNSHIP FAIR—TUESDAY, JANUARY 27—DAVIS GYM— 12 NOON-3:00 PM

Students will have the opportunity to learn about internship opportunities and organizations, and meet with recent alumni who are returning to campus to represent their organizations. To see a list of registered organizations, go to [http://bucknell.erecruiting.com/stu/cf\\_details?fhnd=3543](http://bucknell.erecruiting.com/stu/cf_details?fhnd=3543) and click on "Registered Organizations".

Please direct questions to Alison Ordonez. [alison.ordonez@bucknell.edu](mailto:alison.ordonez@bucknell.edu).

Internship Fair Related Events:

**Pricewaterhouse Coopers** presents: Résumés, Networking and Interview Tips Workshop—Monday, January 26

**Ernst & Young** Presents: Dress for Success / Workplace Etiquette—Monday, January 26

**UBS** presents: Interviewing Workshop—Tuesday, January 27

**Peace Corps** Information Session—Tuesday, January 27

### COMMUNICATIONS & ARTS CAREER FAIR—FEBRUARY 3

Held at **CBS College Sports in New York City** — 5:30-7:30 pm. This event offers students an environment to network with alumni, parents, and representatives in the communications industry who will share information about their career paths, organizations, and any volunteer, internship, or full-time positions they might have. Registered employers include **Ann Taylor, Bloomberg News, CNN, Google, IBM, NHL, Polo Ralph Lauren, Tokyo Broadcasting Intl.** Please direct questions to Melissa Gutkowski. [m.gutkowski@bucknell.edu](mailto:m.gutkowski@bucknell.edu).

### **BUCKNELL PUBLIC SERVICE NETWORK DAY—FEBRUARY 16**

*2009 Industry/Profession Network on-campus event.* Alumni who work in public service will be back on campus to attend a number of events, including a 7:30—9:00 am breakfast honoring current and past students who are Capitol Hill Internship Program fund recipients. From 11:30—1:30 will be a networking luncheon with a keynote speech given by Lauren Donnelly '05, currently working for the Federal Railroad Administration, an agency under the Department of Transportation. Students will be encouraged to network with alumni, who will be ready to speak about their own work experience and provide advice. The afternoon will be comprised of classroom visits and mock interviews in the CDC. Please direct questions to Carole Bourgeacq-Hardt. [carole.hardt@bucknell.edu](mailto:carole.hardt@bucknell.edu).

### **ECONOMICS—MATHEMATICS ALUMNI CAREER PANEL—FEBRUARY 16**

Diana Gehlhaus '04, Economist at the Export-Import Bank, will be one of four panelists discussing her career path and what students can do with a liberal arts degree based on her article in last winter's *Occupational Outlook Quarterly*, "What Can I Do With My Liberal Arts Degree?" Other panelists include a senior data analyst at the Environmental Defense Fund and a former finance manager at J&J who is now attending Wharton. Please direct questions to Marilyn Shull. [mshull@bucknell.edu](mailto:mshull@bucknell.edu).

### **GRADUATE SCHOOL STRATEGIES—FEBRUARY 19**

The University Graduate School Advising Coordinator and CDC will provide current information and perspectives about the choice to go to graduate school, as well as share suggestions for making yourself a competitive applicant among the many. Juniors are especially encouraged to attend, as they think about their course selections for next fall. Note—there will not be much information about professional school (law, health, business). If you know you are interested in those areas, please contact the respective advisors for information and programming related to those disciplines. Please direct questions to Sarah Bell. [sarah.bell@bucknell.edu](mailto:sarah.bell@bucknell.edu).

### **ENGINEERING CAREER NETWORKING EVENT—FEBRUARY 20**

All Bucknell engineering students are welcome to this event. Alumni will talk with students about their represented career field—what it entails, trends, future direction, typical internship or entry level positions, and other pearls of wisdom they might want to share. Students are strongly encouraged to attend the PREP SESSION on Tuesday, February 17, Noon – 1 p.m. in Gardener Lecture Hall. Please direct questions to Sarah Bell. [sarah.bell@bucknell.edu](mailto:sarah.bell@bucknell.edu).

### **2009 DC CAREER FAIR—MARCH 3**

Bucknell students are invited to the 12th Annual DC Fair on Tuesday, March 3, 2009 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. This event focuses on organizations and opportunities within Government, Non-Profit, International & Public Affairs. The purpose of this event is to offer students an environment to network with alumni, parents and representatives from these sectors about their career paths, organizations and any volunteer, internship and full-time opportunities. The event is opened to Bucknell students only. Transportation is available from campus. **Faculty members who know of alumni working in the Washington DC area who would appreciate an invitation to this event should contact Emily Dietrich at 7-1589 or [edietric@bucknell.edu](mailto:edietric@bucknell.edu).** To view a list of registered participants go to [http://bucknell.erecruiting.com/stu/cf\\_details?fhnd=3667](http://bucknell.erecruiting.com/stu/cf_details?fhnd=3667) and click on "Registered Organizations".

### **BPIP INTERNSHIP FUND—APPLICATION DEADLINE—MARCH 16**

The Bucknell Public Interest Program (BPIP) Internship Fund is open to underclass students who have secured and accepted unpaid, full-time summer internships with public interest, non-profit organization or government offices. Through this fund, it is hoped that students who might not otherwise be able to participate in these types of summer internships will have an opportunity to gain valuable experiences. Students must apply for the funding; the number of students selected and the amount of support provided each year depends upon the applicant pool and the funding available. *The BPIP Internship Fund is fully funded by Bucknell alumni, parents, and friends of the University.* Students are encouraged to search for internship opportunities which coincide with their passions and interests. **If interested in learning more about the BPIP Internship Fund or if you would like to arrange a brief 5-10 minute classroom presentation,** please contact Emily Dietrich, Program Director at 7-1589 or [edietric@bucknell.edu](mailto:edietric@bucknell.edu) Student application deadline is Monday, March 16, 2009.

### **BUCKNELL CONSUMER PRODUCTS NETWORK DAY—MARCH 18**

*2009 Industry/Profession Network on-campus event.* BCPN members, faculty, and student liaisons will have the opportunity to listen to Bob Gamgort '84, BCPN co-chair, present the mission and goals of the network. 11:30-1:30 will be a Networking Lunch—students will be encouraged to network with alumni who will be ready to discuss their careers and offer advice. The afternoon will offer classroom visits and mock interviews at the CDC. Please direct questions to Carole Bourgeacq-Hardt. [carole.hardt@bucknell.edu](mailto:carole.hardt@bucknell.edu).